

**Before the  
Federal Communications Commission  
Washington, DC 20554**

In the Matter of	)	
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Request for Review of the	)	
Decision of the	)	
Universal Service Administrator by	)	
	)	
White Hall School District No. 27	)	File No. SLD-158702
White Hall, Arkansas	)	
	)	
Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support	)	CC Docket No. 02-6
Mechanism	)	

**ORDER**

**Adopted: January 14, 2005**

**Released: January 18, 2005**

By the Deputy Chief, Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau:

1. White Hall School District No. 27 (White Hall), White Hall, Arkansas, seeks review of a decision by the Schools and Libraries Division (SLD) of the Universal Service Administrative Company (Administrator).<sup>1</sup> On June 23, 2000, White Hall filed an appeal with SLD of a May 19, 2000 decision by SLD.<sup>2</sup> On July 3, 2000, SLD denied the appeal because White Hall filed the appeal more than 30 days after SLD's decision was rendered.<sup>3</sup> Appeals seeking review of decisions by SLD issued before August 13, 2001 must have been filed with SLD within 30 days of the decision.<sup>4</sup> White Hall's appeal was filed June 23, 2000, in contravention of this rule. We therefore deny the Request for Review.

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<sup>1</sup> Letter from Danny Young, White Hall School District No. 27, to Federal Communications Commission, filed July 10, 2000 (Request for Review). Any person aggrieved by an action taken by a division of the Administrator may seek review from the Commission. 47 C.F.R. § 54.719(c).

<sup>2</sup> Letter from Danny Young, White Hall School District No. 27, to Schools and Libraries Division, Universal Service Administrative Company, filed June 23, 2000. Letter from Schools and Libraries Division, Universal Service Administrative Company, to Danny Young, White Hall School District No. 27, dated May 19, 2000.

<sup>3</sup> Letter from Schools and Libraries Division, Universal Service Administrative Company, to Danny Young, White Hall School District No. 27, dated July 3, 2000.

<sup>4</sup> Commission rules previously required that appeals must be filed with the Commission or SLD within 30 days of the issuance of the decision that the party seeks to have reviewed. This deadline was modified in 2001 by an interim order, extending the deadline to 60 days. *See Implementation of Interim Filing Procedures for Filings of Requests for Review, Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service*, CC Docket No. 96-45, Order, 17 FCC Rcd 339 (Com. Car. Bur. 2001), as corrected by *Implementation of Interim Filing Procedures for Filings of Requests for Review, Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service*, CC Docket No. 96-45, Errata (Com. Car. Bur. rel. Dec. 28, 2001 and Jan. 4, 2002). In 2003, the Commission permanently extended the time limit for filing an initial appeal with SLD and the Commission to 60 days. *See Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism*, CC Docket No. 02-6, Second Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 18 FCC Rcd 9202, 9221, paras. 55-56 (2003). *See also* 47 C.F.R. § 54.720(b).

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2. ACCORDINGLY, IT IS ORDERED, pursuant to authority delegated under sections 0.91, 0.291, and 54.722(a) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.91, 0.291, and 54.722(a), that the Request for Review filed by White Hall School District No. 27, White Hall, Arkansas on July 10, 2000 IS DENIED.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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